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Application No.: **09/688,475**  
Filed: **October 16, 2000**  
For: **SPOOLING SERVER APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR RECEIVING,  
STORING AND FORWARDING A PRINT JOB OVER A NETWORK**

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RESPONSE TO INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Dear Sir:

This Response is responsive to the Office Communication containing an Interview Summary mailed on October 8, 2003, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged. Applicant respectfully submits that the date of the telephone interview with the Examiner was October 3, 2003, rather than October 6, 2003 as indicated in the Interview Summary.

The Interview Summary indicates that "the Examiner will conduct further examination when receiving the official amendment with the limitation from claim 5 which added to independent claims". Applicants agree with this statement.

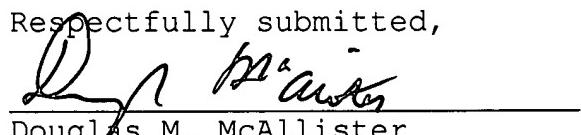
However, in addition, the Examiner indicated that an amendment adding the subject matter of claim 5 into the independent claims would serve to distinguish the claims from the Motegi reference.

Further, Applicants' also discussed alternative clarifying amendments with the Examiner, including an amendment to the independent claims specifying that the polling request is automatically forwarded from the printer polling device to the spooling server. Applicant's undersigned counsel explained the term "automatically" merely clarified the polling process as described in the specification.

The Examiner indicated that such an amendment specifying that the polling occurred automatically would also serve to distinguish the present claims over the Motegi reference. Such an Amendment was filed by Applicants on October 3, 2003.

The Examiner is requested to telephone Applicants' undersigned attorney in the event that there are any additional issues that need to be addressed regarding the Interview Summary.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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